

Killarney National Park Photographic Entries

The title for the Killarney National Park photographic competition is “Our History, Our Future”. The theme is tied in to Heritage Week 2022 which is all about the sustainability of built and natural heritage; Killarney National Park has an abundance of both and we want to see your interpretation of our beautiful landscape. In addition to the photograph, we want to know why you’ve chosen the subject for the image. In no more than 250 words, tell us what the image means to you, what do you see when you look at it and what do you know about the subject of your image.

The judges will select a winner and two runners up and each will receive a National Parks and Wildlife hoodie as well as having their entry reproduced as a canvas photo. The person who takes the winning photo will receive an A4 notebook and the two runners up will receive an A5 notebook crafted by the team at Mucros Bookbindery and Paper Conservation Workshop.

The competition is open to young people aged 9 to 13 (inclusive) and the photograph must be taken within the boundaries of the Killarney National Park. The rules for entry are detailed below:

Dear parents or legal guardians,

Please read the contest rules and consent form below carefully. If you wish to allow your child to submit an entry, please complete and sign the consent form. Entries must be submitted by post or by handing in at Killarney House and Gardens and should have the signed consent form included with it. The deadline for submission is 4:30pm on Friday 5th August 2022. The address for entries is:

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Killarney National Park Photographic Competition

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Competition Rules

1. The title for the competition is “Our History, Our Future” and we’re looking for photographs that showcase Killarney National Park’s rich natural and built heritage.
2. The submitted photograph should also include a short written piece about the photo (no more than 250 words).
3. The written piece should reflect your thoughts and feelings on the image that’s been submitted and you should also tell us what you know about it.
4. The competition is open to all children aged between 9 and 13 inclusive.
5. Entrants must not cause injury or distress to an animal or damage its habitat, either deliberately or inadvertently, whilst trying to capture an image. This also applies to the built heritage and entrants must not cause damage to any part of the national park environment. Remember **animal welfare and the preservation of the environment must come first**.
6. Killarney National Park reserves the right to disqualify any entry that is deemed to have caused distress or harm to any animal or has in any way damaged the environment.
7. The use of **drones** is **strictly prohibited** within the national park and any entries submitted using drone footage will be automatically disqualified.
8. Photographs entered must have been taken within the boundaries of the Killarney National Park and captured between 4th July 2022 and the closing date of Friday 5th August 2022. Late entries will not be considered.
9. Killarney National Park cannot be held responsible for postal entries not delivered within the deadline.
10. Entrants are permitted only one entry each.
11. Photographs should be limited to the theme and not include images of people.

12. The winner and two runners up will be contacted by email sent to the parent/legal guardian's email address by Friday 12th August 2022. Unsuccessful entrants will not be contacted.
13. The judges' decision is final and binding in all matters and no correspondence will be entered in to.
14. Photographers may make reasonable use of digital type techniques which enhance quality but do not distort the photograph. Minor adjustments such as sharpening and/or colour correction is acceptable, as is cropping. Stitched panoramas or superimposing over an image is NOT acceptable.
15. By entering the competition and submitting a photograph you hereby grant, as the parent or legal guardian, Killarney National Park a license to use the photograph for purposes including, but not limited to, creating social media posts, website and publications. Killarney National Park will not use it for profit.
16. Killarney National Park retains the right to exhibit any of the photographs submitted as required (including in local publications/newspapers etc.)
17. Entry to the competition shall be deemed full acceptance of all the terms and conditions.
18. Killarney National Park reserves the right to cancel this competition or alter any of the rules at any stage, if deemed necessary in its opinion, and if circumstances arise outside of its control.

Rules regarding Animal Welfare and Wildlife Photography Ethics

1. Images of nesting birds will not be accepted. Be aware that under Section 23 (6)(b) of the Wildlife Act, 1976 (as amended) a license is required for a person to take or make photographic, video or other pictures of a protected wild animal of a species specified in the license, on or near the breeding place of such an animal. Click here for more information
<https://www.npws.ie/licencesandconsents/disturbance/photograph-or-film-protected-wild-animal-or-bird>
2. Images of captive or restrained animals or animals being exploited will be automatically disqualified.
3. Follow the principles of 'Leave No Trace' at all times – for further information click here
<https://www.leavenotraceireland.org/education/education-introduction/>
4. Everyone should act in accordance with the National Countryside Recreation Strategy to ensure our environment is protected.

Submission Rules

1. Submissions must be the original work of the entrant.
2. All entries must include the signed consent form.
3. All entries must include a valid email address.
4. The entry must include the name and age of the photographer and the title of the image (affix a label to the back of the photograph with this information on it).
5. You must state when the image was taken and where in the national park it was captured.
6. Your story can be written or printed but please make sure your name and the title of the accompanying image is included at the top of each page.
7. The image should be A5 size (or nearest equivalent size for photographic paper), i.e.
 - a. A5 = 210mm x 148mm or 2480 x 1748 px
 - b. 8 x 6 inch photographic paper = 203.2mm x 152.4mm
8. If you use non photographic paper, please ensure it is 160gsm or higher.
9. The image can be taken in portrait or landscape orientation.
10. Entries can be handed in or posted. Please make sure the envelope is clearly marked with 'Killarney National Park Photographic Competition'.
11. Above all, be creative, get to know your park and enjoy yourself!

The judges are looking for:

- a. Composition
- b. Originality
- c. Relevance to the theme



Killarney National Park Photographic Competition Parent Consent Form

Full name of parent or legal guardian: _____

Child's full name (entrant): _____

Child's date of birth: _____

Child's usual address: _____

By checking this box:

1. The entrant has my consent and permission to enter and participate in the 2022 Killarney National Park Photographic Competition.
2. I acknowledge that I have read and understood the contest rules. The entrant and I will comply with these contest rules.
3. I allow the entrant's first name, age and their entry to be displayed at Killarney House and Gardens and on the Killarney National Park's website and social media platforms as well as any publications as deemed relevant.

Parent or legal guardian contact information:

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Signature of parent or legal guardian: _____

Date signed: _____

Privacy statement: Any personal information provided while participating in this competition will not be used, sold or otherwise distributed to third parties.

CHECKLIST:

Have you remembered to:

- ✓ Label the photo with your name and age
- ✓ Include your story (labelled with your name, location of where the image was taken and the date it was taken)
- ✓ Tick the box on the consent form
- ✓ Complete and sign the consent form and place everything together in one envelope.
- ✓ Address the envelope correctly to include 'Killarney National Park Photographic Competition'